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HCT2020 Year 1: 2016 Action Agenda Maternal, Infant, and Child Health

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Goal 1: Optimize the health and well-being of women, infants, children and families, with a focus on disparate populations.

Area of Concentration: Reproductive and Sexual Health

SHIP Objective MICH-1: Reduce by 10% the rate of unplanned pregnancies

Dashboard Indicator:

• Rate of unplanned pregnancies in Connecticut. (HCT2020)



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C.	Obtain implementation and evaluation information about the "IMPLICIT Network" initiative implemented in Northeast US, including Middlesex Hospital Family Physician Residency program. November 2015	Lead: CT MCH Coalition Infant Mortality (IM) and Women's Well Care Workgroup CT MCH Coalition, Middlesex Hospital Family Residency Program	Completed Background info as well as implement-ation & evaluation info was obtained from Dr. Rosener at Middlesex Hospital which participates in the Network				



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d.	Assess potential for replication and feasibility of pilot programs in selected sites: • recruit physician champions • secure buy-in from potential sites located in high-need communities • design project logistics, personnel, and estimated costs December 2015 – April 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care Workgroup, March of Dimes, CT MCH Coalition, CT chapters of American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), Department of Pubic Health (DPH), Office of Early Childhood (OEC), nail salons, beauty parlors, barber shops, childcare providers, community health care workers, family visiting programs, faith communities, Text4Baby, MoMba, Clifford Beers, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), clinical residency programs, nursing and medical higher education programs	In Progress Members of the Joint Women's Well Care and Birth Outcomes Workgroup agreed to serve as the advisory/oversight committee to this feasibility assessment phase. March of Dimes is supporting this initial effort in partnership with the CT Women's Consortium and members of the advisory committee.					
e.	Explore potential funding sources to support effort December 2015-April 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care Workgroup, March of Dimes CT MCH Coalition, foundations that support health-related initiatives (national, state, and local), insurance companies, Department of Social Services (DSS), March of Dimes						
f.	Based on above actions, determine whether to move forward with pilot programs June 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition						
g.	Review currently available DPH preconception health media campaign and evaluate need to adapt/revise October 2015 – December 2015	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care Workgroup CT MCH Coalition, , State Department of Education (SDE), DPH						



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Focus Area 1: Materna	Focus Area 1: Maternal, Infant and Child Health					
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	h. Identify logistics, human and financial resources needed to relaunch media campaign December 2015-January 2016	Lead: DPH and other partners from CT MCH Coalition				
	Develop or adapt a media campaign about the importance of preconception health (including evaluation plan development) January 2016-June 2016	Lead: DPH SDE, 2-1-1 and other partners from the MCH Coalition				
	 j. Relaunch media campaign about importance of preconception health and "call to action" In conjunction with above mentioned pilot program rollout? 	College radio stations, radio, TV, print, community champions, internet, social media, etc.				
Collaborate across sectors to increase social equity	a. All strategies and actions identified within the MICH work plan will be evaluated from a social equity perspective with a focus on ensuring that priority populations are adequately represented September –October 2015	Lead: CT MCH Coalition				



Focus Area 1: Maternal, Infant and Child Health Optimize the health and well-being of women, infants, children and families, with a focus on disparate populations. Goal 1: Area of Concentration: Reproductive and Sexual Health **SHIP Objective MICH-1:** Reduce by 10% the rate of unplanned pregnancies b. Identify and support 2-5 relevant Lead: CT MCH Coalition legislative and policy efforts that promote social determinants of health (i.e. housing CT Association for Human Services (CAHS), Permanent Commission on the Status of quality and affordability, education quality and completion, poverty reduction, food Women (PCSW), CT Women's Education and security, violence prevention, toxic stress Legal Fund (CWEALF), Parent Leadership reduction, access to quality healthcare, Training Institutes (PLTI), Early Childhood juvenile justice) while educating the public Collaboratives/Discovery Communities, and legislators on the impact that social Mothers for Justice, Graustein Memorial Fund, determinants of health have on women's Connecticut Association for Basic Human Needs health throughout the lifecourse and (CABHN), CT Public Health Association (CPHA), perinatal health outcomes: Connecticut Voices for Children assemble ad-hoc advocacy committee within the CT MCH Coalition tasked with leading advocacy efforts and coordinating with other partners develop relevant fact sheets to be shared by coalition members and partners with legislators, leaders, media, and members of the public identify and partner with community members and organizations that could provide testimony on key issues and legislative bills and policies October 2015 thru end of Legislative Session 2016 Explore opportunities/feasibility of Lead: SDE, CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's relaunching statewide media campaign Well Care workgroup aimed at reducing high school dropout CT MCH Coalition, Graustein Memorial Fund, rates foundations that support health-related September 2015-January 2016 initiatives (national, state, and local)



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	d. Identify and address barriers to access of culturally competent health care services	Lead: CT MCH Coalition		
	Ongoing	Office of Health Equity, , SDE, CT Hospital Association, foundations that support health- related initiatives (national, state, and local), clinical providers, home visiting programs, community health care workers		
Support reproductive and sexual health services	a. Identify partners to support relevant priorities and initiatives (i.e. equitable access to long-acting reversible contraceptives, equitable access to culturally-sensitive and developmentally appropriate information and materials, equitable access to reproductive and sexual health care services, etc.) Ongoing	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup CT MCH Coalition, , DPH, DSS, SDE, Council on Medical Assistance Program Oversight (Women's Health Sub-Committee), Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, CWEALF, PCSW		

Resources Required (human, partnerships, financial, infrastructure or other)

- Commitment from lead organizations for each major initiative
- Graduate-level interns assigned to each major initiative, as needed. March of Dimes may be able to supervise some interns. There might be an opportunity to coordinate with other intern supervisors from other partner organizations within MCH Coalition.
- Continued active involvement of focused workgroups within CT Maternal and Child Health Coalition to continue leading implementation of above-proposed initiatives.
- Funding to support feasibility study on initiative akin to One Key Question/Implicit Network. March of Dimes may be interested in supporting this effort. They are currently evaluating this opportunity.
- Clinicians and other statewide leaders to serve as champions of preconception/ interconception health initiatives

Monitoring/Evaluation Approaches

Provide quarterly report outs



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Area of Concentration: Birth Outcomes and Preconception and Pregnancy Care

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MICH-7: Reduce by 10% the infant mortality rate (infant deaths per 1,000 live births).

MICH-2: Increase by 10% the proportion of women delivering a live birth who discuss preconception health with a health care worker prior to pregnancy.

Dashboard Indicators:

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- Proportion of very low birthweight babies among live singleton births in Connecticut. (HCT 2020)
- Proportion of low birthweight babies among live singleton births in Connecticut. (HCT 2020)
- Proportion of live singleton births in Connecticut delivered at less than 37 weeks gestation. (HCT 2020)
- Infant mortality rate (infant deaths per 1,000 live births) in Connecticut. (HCT 2020)
- Proportion of women in Connecticut delivering a live birth who discuss preconception health with a health care worker prior to pregnancy. (HCT2020)

Strategies	Actions and Timeframes	Partners Responsible	Progress
Collaborate across sectors to	a. Support the Campaign for Paid Family	Lead: Permanent Commission on the	
increase social equity	Leave to equitably reduce financial	Status of Women (PCSW)	
	stressors impacting families during		
	pregnancy and the interconception	CT Maternal and Child Health	
	period.	Coalition, CWEALF, March of Dimes,	
	October 2015 thru end of Legislative	Connecticut Association of Human	
	Session 2016	Services (CAHS)	



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- b. Identify and support 2-5 relevant legislative and policy efforts that promote social determinants of health (i.e. housing quality and affordability, education quality and completion, poverty reduction, food security, violence prevention, toxic stress reduction, access to quality healthcare, juvenile justice) while educating the public and legislators on the impact that social determinants of health have on women's health throughout the lifecourse and perinatal health outcomes:
 - assemble ad-hoc advocacy committee within the CT MCH Coalition tasked with leading advocacy efforts and coordinating with other partners
 - develop relevant fact sheets to be shared by coalition members and partners with legislators, leaders, media, and members of the public
 - identify and partner with community members and organizations that could provide testimony on key issues and legislative bills and policies

October 2015 thru end of Legislative Session 2016

Lead: CT MCH Coalition

CAHS PCSW, CWEALF, PLTI, Early Childhood Collaboratives/Discovery Communities, Graustein Memorial Fund, Connecticut Association for Basic Human Needs (CABHN), CPHA, Connecticut Voices for Children



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	C.	Evaluate and assess feasibility/replicability of projects aimed at reducing/eliminating institutionalized racism (as identified in the Plan to Improve Birth Outcomes) July 2016 – September 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition Graustein Memorial Fund, CityMatCH, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Federal Healthy Start	
Support the provision of preconception/ interconception health care throughout the childbearing years in community and clinical settings	a.	Secure commitment from identified partners and leads Ongoing	Lead: CT MCH Coalition Planning Committee	In Progress Identified lead convener of potential pilot sites (CT Women's Consortium through funding support of March of Dimes and technical assistance from CoIIN leadership team and Joint Women's Health and Birth Outcomes workgroup from MCH Coalition). Began engaging potential sites and will continue exploring feasibility. Identified CT-based physician champion for potential replication of IMPLICIT Network model. Boston Public Health Commission offered to connect us with MA-based physician champions for the OKQ for potential grand rounds
				opportunities in CT. Exploring potential partnership opportunities with Federal Healthy Start, ABH, DMHAS, OEC, and DCF, among others.
	b.	Obtain implementation and evaluation information about the "One Key Question" initiative implemented in Oregon and Massachusetts. November 2015	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup, March of Dimes CT MCH Coalition, DPH, Oregon Foundation for Reproductive Health, Massachusetts Department of Health, Boston Health Commission	Completed Implementation & evaluation info was obtained from The Oregon Foundation for Reproductive Health and from programs that use OKQ



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c. Obtain implementation and evaluation	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and	Completed
information about the "IMPLICIT	Women's Well Care workgroup,	Background info as well as implement-ation &
Network" initiative implemented in	March of Dimes,	evaluation info was obtained from Dr. Rosener at
Northeast US, including Middlesex		Middlesex Hospital which participates in the
Hospital Family Physician Residency	CT MCH CoalitionMiddlesex Hospital	Network
program.		
November 2015		
d. Assess potential for replication and	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and	In Progress
feasibility of pilot programs in selected	Women's Well Care workgroup,	Members of the Joint Women's Well Care and
sites:	March of Dimes,	Birth Outcomes Workgroup agreed to serve as
 recruit physician champions 		the advisory/oversight committee to this
 secure buy-in from potential sites 	CT MCH Coalition, CT chapters of	feasibility assessment phase. March of Dimes is
located in high-need communities	ACOG, AAP, AAFP, DPH, OEC, nail	supporting this initial effort in partnership with
 design project logistics, personnel, 	salons, beauty parlors, barber shops,	the CT Women's Consortium and members of
and estimated costs	childcare providers, community	the advisory committee.
December 2015 – April 2016	health care workers, family visiting	
	programs, faith communities,	
	Text4Baby, MoMba, Clifford Beers,	
	FQHCs, clinical residency programs,	
	nursing and medical higher	
	education programs	
e. Explore potential funding sources to	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and	
support effort	Women's Well Care workgroup,	
December 2015-April 2016	March of Dimes	
	CT MCH Coalition, foundations that	
	support health-related initiatives	
	(national, state, and local), insurance	
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Promote enhanced models of prenatal care	Obtain implementation research result about group prenatal care models, identify potential barriers to implementation and anticipate strategies to overcome them. October – December 2015	CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup, March of Dimes Yale School of Nursing, CT MCH Coalition,	
	 b. Promote Northeast Centering Symposium in Waltham, MA (Nov. 12, 2015) September 2015-November 2015 c. Assess potential for replication and feasibility of pilot programs: recruit clinical champions secure buy-in from potential sites located in high-need communities design project logistics, personne and estimated costs secure funding 		Completed. Partners from two CT health centers/practices attended the symposium.
	 November 2015 – April 2016 d. Obtain implementation and evaluation information about the Medicaid Enhanced Prenatal Care programs in Michigan and Colorado. November 2015 – January 2016 	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup,March of Dimes CT MCH Coalition, , DSS, DPH, OEC	



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e. Assess potential for replication and	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and	
feasibility of pilot programs in selected	Women's Well Care workgroup,	
sites:	March of Dimes,	
recruit champions	,	
·	CT MCH Coalition DSS DDH OEC	
secure buy-in from potential sites	CT MCH Coalition, DSS, DPH, OEC	
located in high-need communities		
 design project logistics, personnel, 		
and estimated costs		
January 2016 – May 2016		
f. Explore potential funding sources to	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and	
support effort	Women's Well Care workgroup,	
January 2016 - May 2016	March of Dimes	
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	CT MCH Coalition, , DSS, DPH, OEC,	
	foundations that support health-	
	related initiatives (national, state,	
	and local), insurance companies	
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g. Based on above actions, determine	Lead: CT MCH Coalition, March of	
whether to move forward with pilot	Dimes,	
programs		
May 2016-June 2016	DSS, DPH, OEC	



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h. Promote the integration of mental health, oral health, and wellbeing into	Lead: CT MCH Coalition
hospital-based perinatal education models, group prenatal care, as well as	March of Dimes, perinatal health educators at various CT maternity
home visiting programs:	care hospitals, home visiting
 Identify potential champions and partners 	programs, Connecticut Alliance for Perinatal Mental Health, CT Dental
 Assess current programs and conduct gaps analysis 	Health Partnership (CTDHP), DPH, CT Women's Consortium, Mental
Study feasibility, logistics, and resources needed to implement actions aimed at filling gaps	Health and Substance Abuse (MHSA) SHIP Action Team, OEC and Child Development Infoline (CDI).
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- Funding to support pilot programs in enhanced prenatal care models.
- Clinicians and other statewide leaders to serve as champions for preconception/interconception health initiatives
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Area of Concentration: Birth Outcomes

SHIP Objective MICH-8: Reduce by 10% the disparity between infant mortality rates for non-Hispanic blacks and non-Hispanic whites.

Dashboard Indicator: Disparity ratio between infant mortality rates for non-Hispanic blacks and non-Hispanic whites in Connecticut. (HCT 2020)

Strategies		Actions and Timeframes	Partners Responsible	Progress
Collaborate across sectors to increase social equity	a.	Evaluate and assess feasibility/replicability of projects aimed at reducing/eliminating institutionalized racism (as identified in the Plan to Improve Birth Outcomes) July 2016 – September 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition, Graustein Memorial Fund, CityMatCH, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Federal Healthy Start	
	b.	Support the Campaign for Paid Family Leave to equitably reduce financial stressors impacting families during pregnancy and the interconception period. October 2015 thru end of Legislative Session 2016	Lead: PCSW, CT MCH Coalition, CWEALF, March of Dimes, CAHS	



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Focus Area 1: Maternal,	Infant and Child Health			
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Area of Concentration: Bir	th Outcomes			
SHIP Objective MICH-8:	Reduce by 10% the disparity between infant mort	ality rates for non-Hispani	c blacks and non-Hispanic whites.	
	 c. Identify and support 2-5 relevant legislative and policy efforts that promote social determinants of health (i.e. housing quality and affordability, education quality and completion, poverty reduction, food security, violence prevention, toxic stress reduction, access to quality healthcare, juvenile justice) while educating the public and legislators on the impact that social determinants of health have on women's health throughout the lifecourse and perinatal health outcomes: assemble ad-hoc advocacy committee within the CT MCH Coalition tasked with leading advocacy efforts and coordinating with other partners develop relevant fact sheets to be shared by coalition members and partners with legislators, leaders, media, and members of the public identify and partner with community members and organizations that could provide testimony on key issues and legislative bills and policies October 2015 thru end of Legislative Session 	Lead: CT MCH Coalition, CAHS, PCSW, CWEALF, PLTI, Early Childhood Collaboratives/Discovery Communities, Graustein Memorial Fund, CABHN, CPHA, Connecticut Voices for Children		

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Support the provision of	a.	Secure commitment from identified partners and leads	Lead: CT MCH Coalition	In Progress	
preconception/ interconception health care		Ongoing	Planning Committee	Identified lead convener of potential pilot sites (CT Women's Consortium through funding support of	
throughout the childbearing				March of Dimes and technical assistance from CollN	
years				leadership team and Joint Women's Health and Birth	
				Outcomes workgroup from MCH Coalition). Began engaging potential sites and will continue exploring	
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				Boston Public Health Commission offered to connect	
				us with MA-based physician champions for the OKQ for potential grand rounds opportunities in CT.	
				Exploring potential partnership opportunities with	
				Federal Healthy Start, ABH, DMHAS, OEC, and DCF,	
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		Massachusetts.	Dimes,	from programs that use OKQ	
		November 2015		-	
			CT MCH Coalition, DPH,		
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			Massachusetts		
			Department of Health,		
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		initiative implemented in Northeast US, including	Workgroup	evaluation info was obtained from Dr. Rosener at	
		Middlesex Hospital Family Physician Residency	. 0 - 1	Middlesex Hospital which participates in the Network	
		program.	CT MCH Coalition, ,		
		November 2015	Middlesex Hospital Family Residency Program		
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	b. Promote Northeast Centering Symposium in Waltham, MA (Nov. 12, 2015) September 2015-November 2015	Lead: March of Dimes Connecticut and New England Chapters	Completed. Partners from two CT health centers/practices attended the symposium.	
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	d. Obtain implementation and evaluation information about the Medicaid Enhanced Prenatal Care programs in Michigan and Colorado. November 2015 – January 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup, March of Dimes CT MCH Coalition, DSS, DPH		



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	f. Explore potential funding sources to support effort January 2016 – May 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition IM and Women's Well Care workgroup, March of Dimes CT MCH Coalition, , DSS, DPH, OEC, foundations that support health- related initiatives (national, state, and local), insurance companies	
	g. Based on above actions, determine whether to move forward with pilot programs May 2016 – June 2016	Lead: CT MCH Coalition, March of Dimes DSS, DPH, OEC	



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- h. Promote the integration of mental health, oral health, and wellbeing into hospital-based perinatal education models, group prenatal care, as well as home visiting programs:
 - Identify potential champions and partners
 - Assess current programs and conduct gaps analysis
 - Study feasibility, logistics, and resources needed to implement actions aimed at filling gaps

June 2016 - December 2016

March of Dimes, perinatal health educators at various CT maternity care hospitals, home visiting programs, Connecticut Alliance for Perinatal Mental Health, CT Dental Health Partnership (CTDHP), DPH, CT Women's Consortium, Mental Health and Substance Abuse (MHSA) Action Team, OEC and Child Development Infoline (CDI).

Lead: CT MCH Coalition,

Resources Required (human, partnerships, financial, infrastructure or other)

- Commitment from lead organizations for each major initiative
- Graduate-level interns assigned to each major initiative, as needed. March of Dimes may be able to supervise some interns. There might be an opportunity to coordinate with other intern supervisors from other partner organizations within MCH Coalition.
- Continued active involvement of focused workgroups within CT Maternal and Child Health Coalition to continue leading implementation of above-proposed initiatives.
- Funding to support feasibility study on initiative akin to One Key Question/Implicit Network. March of Dimes may be interested in supporting this effort. They are currently evaluating this opportunity.
- Funding to support pilot programs in enhanced prenatal care models.
- Funding and technical assistance to support racism-related initiatives
- Community and statewide leaders to serve as champions for racism-related initiatives
- Clinicians and other statewide leaders to serve as champions for preconception/interconception health initiatives
- Clinicians and other statewide leaders to serve as champions for enhanced prenatal care models

Monitoring/Evaluation Approaches

Provide quarterly report outs



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Area of Concentration: Child Health and Well-being

SHIP Objective MICH-12: Increase by 10% the percentage of children under 3 years of age at greatest risk for oral disease (i.e., in HUSKY A) who receive any dental care.

Dashboard Indicator: Dental Utilization for Children under the Age of Three in HUSKY Health

Strategies	Actions and Timeframes	Partners Responsible	Progress
Increase dental care provided by pediatric primary care providers (PCPs) directly and through referral.	 a. Coordinate effort, strategize, monitor, create targets [quarterly meetings] Measure: CTCOH PIOH-WG minutes, targets in 2016 Timeframe: late 2015 – 2019, 	Lead: CT Coalition for Oral Health (CTCOH) Perinatal & Infant Oral Health Work Group (CTCOH PIOH-WG)	
Encourage pediatric PCPs to include oral health in the well child visits for their patients under the age of three, including performance of these two	 b. Bring in support from Connecticut State Medical Society (CSMS), Connecticut Academy of Family Physicians (CAFP), WIC, others Measure: Continually maintained list of partners, # of new partners and # of potential partners Timeframe: 2016 – 2019 	Lead: CTCOH members, Department of Public Health (DPH)	
procedures: D0145 (\$25) Oral evaluation for a patient under three (3) years of age and counseling with the primary caregiver; and D1206 (\$20) Topical therapeutic fluoride varnish	c. Outreach to Pediatric Primary Care Providers Measures: # of providers receiving outreach Timeline: 2016 – 2019	Lead: CT Dental Health Partnership (CTDHP), American Academy of Pediatricians (AAP), CSMS, DPH, CTCOH PIOH-WG	
application for moderate to high risk caries patients, an evidenced-based practice. Both are consistent with EPSDT.	 d. Provide Access for Baby Care (ABC) Program Training Measure: # of providers trained, # of providers registered Timeframe: current – 2019 e. Pediatric PCP's include oral health in well-child visits 	Lead: From the First Tooth (FFT), Children's Health & Development Institute (CHDI) EPIC program Lead: CTDHP,	
Advocate for funding for the Home by One program	Measure: # of claims filed for D0145 & D01206 Timeframe: baseline, current – 2019 f. Develop and examine potential funding opportunities. Measure: List of funding opportunities	Pediatric PCP's Lead: DPH Office of Oral Health	
nome by one program	Timeframe: 2016		



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- Existing programs/partners: CTCOH, CTCOH-WG, CTDHP, AAP, FFT, CHDI
- DPH staff time to involve new partners (CSMS, CAFP, WIC, others) and pediatric PCP's
- New partners time
- New PCP involvement

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- See measures above
- Annual Dashboard measurement, dental claims for HUSKY Health children under 3 years of age.



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Dashboard Indicator:

• Percentage of parents in Connecticut who complete standardized developmental screening tools consistent with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) guidelines (HCT 2020).

Strategies	Actions and Timeframes	Partners Responsible	Progress
Engage in cross system planning and coordination of activities around developmental screening.	a. Expand coordination of statewide efforts around developmental screening and the public relations message emphasizing the promotion of good health/development.	Dept. of Public Health (DPH), Office of Early Childhood (OEC), Infoline/Child Development Infoline (CDI), Birth to Three, Help Me Grow,	
(Policy and public health coordination)	Due: 11/1/15 Lead Partners: DPH, OEC, CDI, ECCS	Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) partners, CT Act Early Team, AAP, Child Health and Development Institute (CHDI), Project Launch, The MCH Coalition, primary care providers, health care professionals, schools of public health, allied health, nursing and medicine, family support organizations, faith-based organizations, early childcare providers, and others.	
	b. Promote awareness and use of Child Development Infoline (CDI). Due: 11/1/15 & Ongoing	Lead Partners: OEC & CDI	
	c. Modify, integrate and utilize materials from CDC "Learn the Signs. Act Early". Due: 1/1/16	Lead Partners: DPH, OEC, CDI & CT Act Early Team	
	d. Distribute message through existing networks. Due: 1/1/16	Lead Partners: DPH, OEC, CDI, ECCS, CT Act Early Team & The MCH Coalition	



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Partner with statewide entities to develop and disseminate resources for clinical pediatric practices to improve screening rates and coordination of referrals and linkage to services within the state. (Provider/practice level)	a. Identity CT practices that have participated in Educating Practices in Communities (EPIC) Developmental Screening presentations by calendar year for past three years. Due: 12/1/15	Lead Partner: CHDI Dept. of Public Health, Office of Early Childhood, Department of Social Services (DSS), Infoline/Child Development Infoline, Birth to Three, Help Me Grow, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) partners, CT Act Early Team, AAP, Child Health and Development Institute (CHDI), Project Launch, primary care providers, health care professionals, schools of public health, allied health, nursing and medicine, family support organizations, faith-based organizations, early childcare providers, and others.			
	b. Increase the number of practices that participate in an EPIC presentation with enhanced CDI, LTS.AE information, and culturally sensitive parental education of developmental milestones and screening tools. Due: 09/01/16	Lead Partners: CHDI, DPH & CT Act Early Team			
	c. Gather Medicaid Claims billing code data for developmental screening (96110 CPT) including number and percentage of usage at 9, 18, 24, and 30 month olds. Due: 2/1/16	Lead Partners: DSS & DPH			
	d. Educate provider practice staff on when and how to bill appropriately for developmental screening through EPIC including Maintenance of Certification Part 4 performance improvement option. Due: 3/1/16	Lead Partners: CDHI, DSS, DPH & CT Act Early Team			



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Conduct an education and awareness campaign for families and communities in the importance of developmental screening.

(Family and community supports)

- a. Expand the number of families that receive information on LTS.AE materials or access website.
 Due: 3/1/16 Lead Partners: OEC, CDI, ECCS DPH & CT Act Early Team
- b. Expand the number of families who complete Ages and Stages Questionnaires.

Due: 6/1/16 Lead Partners: CDI & OEC

c. Expand the number of early childhood education providers who are knowledgeable and talk with parents about developmental milestones.

Due: 6/1/16 Lead Partners: ECCS & CT Act Early Team

- d. Expand the number of LTS.AE materials distributed statewide to families and community providers.
 Due: 3/1/16 Lead Partners: OEC, CDI, ECCS, DPH & CT Act Early Team
- e. Expand the number of individuals who report they have increased knowledge after a LTS.AE training.

 Due: 3/1/16 Lead Partners: DPH & CT Act Early Team

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- New partners including programs that have access to families

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